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Subject: FW: Comments on capx2020 Twin City to Rochester possible routes

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Subject: Comments on capx2020 Twin City to Rochester possible routes

Please forward to the appropriate party.

I attended the open house meeting at Wanamingo, MN for the CapX2020 proposed possible routes from Hampton to Rochester.

I viewed the two proposed possible routes in general and in detail in the Hampton area.

I-117-002 | I discussed with Thomas Hillstrom (from Xcel Energy) at the meeting the huge agricultural and financial impact that one of the routes would have on my parents (Melvin and Mary Lou Endres) land.

My parents live at 22075 Northfield Blvd. northeast of Hampton. My parent have owned/farmed this land for over 50 years. They now are elderly and depend on the income that comes from the result of many years of hard work getting this land set up as a retirement income.

I-117-003 | The route that effects there land is the stretch identified as A122 on the maps given out at the meeting. This proposed route would divide two quarter sections of land (NE ¼ of section 4 and NW ¼ of section 3 in Hampton Township) that have overlapping pivot style irrigation systems on them. This system irrigate approximately 300 acres of prime agricultural land. Thomas Hillstrom was unaware of the irrigation system and advised that this be pointed out via comments to the environmental impact statement. He went on to say that irrigation systems were one of the things capx2020 tried to avoid during the process of determining a route.

I-117-001 | The route that runs on the east side of Highway 52 in the established right of way would impact property owners the least, is the most direct and least expensive . This is the area identified as A5 on the maps given out at the meeting.

Please add us to the mailing list and copy the following e-mail addresses on any future information on this topic. E-mail both my work and home address as well as my parents.

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Your comment has been noted. The criteria used to route the transmission line is described in the Macro Corridor Study which is available on the RUS website at: <http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/ees/eis.htm>. These criteria and routing process will be addressed in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement. The project is still in the development and planning stages and the utilities have not yet permitted a route for the transmission line.

The Draft Environmental Impact Statement will be available on the RUS website at: <http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/ees/eis.htm>. Comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement will be solicited after its publication.

I-117-002

Your comment has been noted. Please refer to comment response I-117-001.

I-117-003

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Sincerely,
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